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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: MAIL STOP AF
Peter LISEC Confirmation No. 9161
Serial No. 09/850,064 GROUP 1733
Filed May 8, 2001 Examiner Jeff H. Aftergut
PROCESS FOR JOINING HOLLOW SECTION
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 12, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Official Action of November 24, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

An **Appendix** consisting of a Declaration Under Rule 132 follows the signature page.